**EXHIBIT 4** 

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## **EDUCATION:**

University of California at Los Angeles, Bachelor of Science degree in Business, 1965.

University of Santa Clara, Master of Business Administration degree with a specialization in Finance, 1969

#### **LECTURER:**

Mr. Tarter has been an instructor, panelist and guest lecturer for several professional organizations and institutions of higher education, including the following:

American Institute of Banking
American Management Association
Los Angeles City College
United States Small Business Administration
Gonzaga University School of Law
Practicing Law Institute
International Council of Shopping Centers
International Institute of Business and Banking
Orange County Bankruptcy Forum
Los Angeles Chapter of the American Society of Appraisers
Southern California Chapter of the Appraisal Institute

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

September 1993 - Present

The Andela Consulting Group, Inc., Managing Director

Specializes in providing management, financial and advisory services involving corporate governance, credit damages, credit cards, management, financial and banking matters. Mr. Tarter has served on boards, assisted in corporate restructures and has provided advisory services to a diverse group of clients including corporations, law firms, banks, financial institutions and governmental agencies including the United States Small Business Administration.

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October 1985 - August 1993

First Los Angeles Bank, Executive Vice President, Member of Officers Loan Committee

During his association with First Los Angeles Bank, Mr. Tarter was responsible for supervising the bank's largest banking region and was involved in developing compensation and incentive programs, asset/liability management, development of policies and procedures and strategic planning. Additional responsibilities included marketing, public relations, mergers, acquisitions, the development of non-traditional banking businesses such as mortgage banking division and an SBA loan department.

November 1984 - September 1985

Center National Bank, Director, President and Chief Executive Officer

Recruited to administer a troubled financial institution. Developed programs to implement regulatory requirements and to constrict the bank's assets to adhere to capital constraints. Developed and implemented policies and procedures involving credit administration and personnel including compensation, termination, staff curtailment and recruitment.

January 1980 - October 1984

Bank of Los Angeles, Organizer, Founding Director, President and Chief Executive Officer

Responsible for organization and completion of two stock offerings, initial (1982) and secondary (1984), both of which were over subscribed. Responsible for the initial and ongoing organization of the bank as well as supervising its operations and growth. Negotiated the acquisition of the American City Bank - Beverly Hills from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Developed and implemented policies and procedures including compensation, personnel, credit and audit.

1977 - 1980

First Los Angeles Bank, Regional Vice President and member of the bank's Officers Loan Committee

1976 - 1977

Sanwa Bank of California, Vice President and Senior Credit Officer for Southern California and Member of Loan Committee

Responsible for administering the bank's loan portfolio in Southern California including the implementation of policies, procedures and controls to monitor the bank's corporate, real estate and consumer loan activities.

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1969 - 1975

Lloyds Bank California, Vice President, Corporate and California Divisions

Responsible for the administration and development of major corporate relationships. Developed new lending programs including acceptance and SBA financing.

Additionally, Mr. Tarter was a founding organizer of Hancock Savings Bank. He shared responsibility for its formation, organization and co-organized its initial stock offering.

#### **TESTIMONY:**

Mr. Tarter has provided expert testimony at deposition and trial in municipal, state and federal courts as well as at arbitration.

Litigation and consultation clients include: Mobil Oil Corporation, Ford Motor Credit Corporation, Advanta National Bank, Credit First Bank, Republic Bank, Sanwa Bank, Citicorp, Deutsche Bank, JPMorgan Chase, Wells Fargo Bank, Union Bank of California, Washington Mutual, Bank of Saipan, United Mortgage, City of Oxnard, Small Business Administration, as well as individuals, municipalities, partnerships and businesses.

# BOARD MEMBERSHIPS AND BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS INCLUDED:

Western States Bankcard Association Sunshine Makers, Inc. d/b/a Simple Green

Fort Ord Credit Union

Holiday World RV

Marin Outdoor (Bankruptcy related directorship)

First Alliance Mortgage Company (Appointed during bankruptcy proceedings)

American Standard Development Company, Inc.

**BKLA Bancorp** 

Center Financial

Los Angeles Bankruptcy Forum

Los Angeles Business Council, member of Executive CommitteeLoyola Marymount University Fine

Arts/Film School Council

Los Angeles Free Net, Inc. (Internet)

### **MEDIATOR:**

Mr. Tarter has been appointed by the United States Bankruptcy Court - Central District of California to its panel of mediators.

#### Addendum to CV of Thomas A. Tarter

Qualifications: My background involves experience with large and small banks. Lloyds Bank California, Sanwa Bank of California and First Los Angeles Bank were subsidiaries of very large banks. At Sanwa Bank and First Los Angeles Bank, I was involved in evaluating potential acquisitions that involved "healthy" and "distressed" banks. At First Los Angeles Bank, I was also involved in the purchase of loans from the F.D.I.C. and the sale of non-performing loans.

I was also involved in the formation of a savings bank and a commercial bank that were located in Los Angeles, California. While I did not serve on the board of directors of the savings bank, I provided advice involving staffing, capital and regulatory issues to directors and senior management. I was involved in the formation of a commercial bank - Bank of Los Angeles. At the Bank of Los Angeles, I was involved in the acquisition of another bank that was closed by state and federal regulators, purchased loans from the FDIC and the RTC. Issues involved in the acquisition included: deposit retention, deposit withdrawal requests, possible run on deposits, liquidity, borrower loan defaults and lender liability claims, performing and non-performing loans. It was a complicated process that worked out positively because well-defined business and strategic plans were quickly developed and implemented.

I was also approved by regulatory agencies to serve as the chief executive officer of a financially troubled bank, Center National Bank. This assignment resulted in the identification of significant additional problems within the bank that prior to my employment had not been CHASEed by either the bank's independent auditors or by the regulators. My duties included: Securities and Exchange Commission disclosures, valuation of the loan portfolio, amendment of financial reports, the sale of loans, shrinkage of deposits, capital infusion and implementation of new policies, procedures and controls.

Subsequent to First Alliance Mortgage Corporation ("FAMCO") filing for bankruptcy protection, I was approved and appointed with the concurrence of the board of directors, creditors and court to the board of directors of FAMCO which was a public, SEC reporting financial services company. I served during bankruptcy proceedings as its Audit Committee, Chair. I was also appointed to serve during reorganization on the board of directors of a regional retail company.

I have served as a director of the Western States Bankcard Association and as an advisor to various financial institutions and companies involving credit card, lender liability, TILA, and UDAP issues.

I have also been appointed to the panel of mediators by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California.